



The evolution of the steamship is a gauge to the progress of the whole civilized world in this last period of tremendous material activity.

\$10 to \$100, in the currency of the country to be visited. The woman who knows nothing of Italian money gets a few small checks translated for her into terms of the foreign coin.

SOUND DOCTRINE

The signs is bad when folks commence finding fault with Providence. And balking 'cause the earth don't shake at every prancer step they take.

At the Extremes

Mrs. Rosemere sat surveying the little room uneasily, because it was dim and she had come in from the outside glare.

Mrs. Rosemere surveyed her former cook helplessly, a wonder growing in her small, commonplace eyes. It was entirely beyond human comprehension why in the face of her poverty and discomfort Maggie should so valiantly cling to and defend her husband.

"I hate to see you situated like this, Maggie," her visitor burst forth, getting up and restlessly raising the shades and wandering about.

hurrying, abstracted, bowed beneath the yoke of wealth and its stern demands on his time, and snote her as she recalled sharply these early days when there had been nothing in life for either of them but each other.

Mrs. Rosemere jerked her head around toward Maggie in a desperate attempt to regain her mental balance. She saw a strange lighting up of the sick woman's face as she raised her head and listened to footsteps coming up the stairs.

Another Glass. The seventeenth century puritan preachers talked for two hours or more not "by the clock" but by the hour glass.

It is proposed in France, where ingenuity in devising new sources of revenue has been raised to a fine art, to impose a tax on titles of nobility.

That the greatest gift to the artist and the writer is the power to conjure up hallucinations at will is the startling theory of Prof. von Herkomer, who lectured the other day at the Royal Academy, London, on "Sight and Seeing."

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HALLUCINATIONS IN ART.

Professor Herkomer's Views on Genius and Insanity. Great wits are sure to madness near allied, And thin partitions do their bounds divide.

"I know an artist who could paint a portrait without a single sitting. He just looked at the chair, and his power of summoning a mental image of his subject was so strong that he could see every feature and paint a faithful portrait. Eventually he lost control of his power and spent sixteen years in an asylum."

"I myself once had to paint a portrait of Wagner. He refused to sit to me, and said impatiently that I could look at him as much as I liked, but he would not sit in a chair. Well, I got into a state of great mental excitability, and could not sleep or work. Eventually I did the portrait in two days—without one sitting, and when I took it to Wagner he embraced me and said he could not understand how I had done it."

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The most simple treatment is a free calomel and soda purgation, supplemented by hot applications. Faecal impaction of the colon is present in some instances. The bowel must first be unloaded by suitable enemata. This unloading is in some instances a slow and difficult task.

A new method of treating pneumonia effects a sure cure inside of twenty-four hours. The seat of the trouble in pneumonia cases is not in the lungs as generally supposed, but in the bony framework at the top of the nose.

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WOMAN WHO LOST IN FIGHT FOR MILLIONS.



Mabelle Snell McNamara, "soul-mate" niece of Thomas Snell, the eccentric Clinton (Ill.) millionaire over whose will two sensational trials were held, is conceded to be the prize writer of the United States.

Each love note ..... \$1,111.11 Each word ..... 3.73 Each letter ..... .02

It is estimated that New Zealand has an available coal supply of 1,200,000,000 tons, of which not more than 20,000,000 tons have been touched.

Speaking at the Royal Institution, London, Hon. R. J. Strutt said that in consequence of experiments he had come to the conclusion that there was radium in every rock of the earth's surface.

The New York Zoological Society has a toad said to have been exhumed from limestone at Butte, Mont., at a depth of 150 feet.

Objects that the early navigators and explorers never dreamed of now draw learned men to some of the remote oceanic islands. The Canterbury Philosophic Institute of New Zealand, with the aid of the government, is about to send an expedition of investigators in terrestrial magnetism, geology, botany and zoology to the Auckland and Campbell Islands, which lie

ONE ON BRYAN.

An Incident that Kept His Head from Under Swelling.

The last time William J. Bryan was at his own expense, concerning his early career as an orator. The incident he related took place several years before Mr. Bryan sprang into national prominence as a presidential candidate.

"I stumped my State," he said, "in a lively gubernatorial contest and made red-hot speeches against the Republican candidate. I said such severe things that I thought at the time that it might prove to be a little embarrassing if I should ever meet the gentleman personally. The Republican candidate was elected and a short time afterward I accepted an invitation to attend a non-political meeting in Omaha and deliver an address. I think that it was an entertainment for the benefit of some charity. I know that there were several speakers down on the program; also a number of singers. The Governor-elect presided. The chairman of the Entertainment Committee introduced the speaker or singer to the Governor and he would then present them to the audience."

"When it came my turn to be presented to the Governor I had some nervousness as to the reception he would give me, on account of the bitter speeches I had made in the campaign. The Governor gave me a pleasant smile, however, and, turning to the audience, he said: 'Ladies and gentlemen, I have the honor to presenting to you, William J. Bryan'—then, turning to me, and in a stage whisper that could be heard, it seemed to me, half way across the house, said: 'Singer or speaker, Mr. Bryan?'"

"That experience kept my head from swelling. The Governor and I afterward became good friends, but he told me that he had actually never heard of me before the Omaha meeting I have mentioned. And I had been under the impression that my speeches in that campaign had stirred the State from end to end!"

Of course we are all of us wonderfully smart, but there is not a day passes but what some one suffers from our blunders.

We have yet to see any man with so much family pride that he longed to be the first in a photograph group of five generations.

SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY.

In Denmark girls born with coming old heads. Korean bachelors wear, shirts are not promoted to trousers until they marry.

The electrical house of Siemens in Holako, in Prussia, employs more than 25,000 men. Mail orders for merchandise are practically unknown in China and the East in general.

Plans are making for supplying Cairo, Egypt, with a modern sewerage and drainage system in the near future.

Until a few years ago Mohammedans were greatly opposed to photography, but now they have taken it up seriously, and some photographers of real merit are found among them.

A mill at Great Barrington, Mass., was shut down in a most unusual manner a few weeks ago, when water bugs, crowding into the space around the engine-stop push button, produced a short circuit and the consequent stoppage.

Consul General Robert J. Wynne, of London, reports that before a committee of the British House of Commons interesting details were given of the scheme for establishing in Ireland a new electric supply generated by peat gas, the first of the kind in Great Britain.

In Spain about the only kind of plow in use is a primitive wooden affair with one handle and a tongue. To this is hitched a pair of small oxen or of mules yoked up like oxen. The driver rests his right foot on a rear extension to keep the plow from jumping out of the ground, steadying himself by touching his left foot when he seems likely to lose his balance.

Mrs. Humphry Ward at a woman's luncheon in New York said of the literary style of a popular novelist: "It is an insane style. It makes me think of the schoolgirl novelist who wrote: 'He sprang ardently forward, but a look of soft ecstasy from one of Pearl's eyes and a glance of warning darted from the other in the direction of her aunt forced him regretfully back into his chair.'"

Senator La Follette says of the millionaires who complain about the harm that they and their affairs have suffered from governmental attacks: "These whiners, with only themselves to blame, remind me of a bad little boy. He ran howling to his mother, 'Oh, ma, Johnny has hurt me!' 'And how did bad Johnny hurt mother's little darling?' 'Why, I was a-goin' to punch him in the face and he ducked his head and I hit my knuckles against the wall.'"

"The late Bishop Fowler," said a Buffalo Methodist, "had the happiest knack of illustrating, with one luminous sentence, traits of character, faults, villainies. Once, I remember, talking of gambling houses and the little mercy shown to ruined sinners, Bishop Fowler, with a grim smile, said: 'The men who took John's money were the same, remember, who threw him overboard. Things like that still happen.'"

Tampa, Fla., was the background of Golding's narrative of "The Young Millionaire." It and its surroundings were a wilderness. Tampa is to-day the business metropolis of Southern Florida. Last year it made and sold 250,000,000 cigars, the largest number of great Havana ever made in one year in any city in the world. It has 160 cigar factories, employing 11,000 people, with a payroll of nearly \$10,000,000 a year, and an output of \$20,000,000. The population is about 43,000.